

COMMENT OF THE DAY

Impossible Demands

THE veil which Mr Selwyn Lloyd has lifted in the House of Commons on the recent Anglo-Egyptian negotiations relating to the Suez Canal Zone all too clearly shows why the discussions broke down. The five demands made by the Egyptians are so unrealistic as to border on the fatuous. In their present form and meaning they have to be rejected by Britain. Patently General Naguib at the moment is so obsessed with the desire to "realise national aspirations" that he is prepared to sacrifice the long-term interests of his country and of the rest of the Middle East in order to satisfy that obsession. The Egyptian Prime Minister can seem to dispossess himself of the quite erroneous belief that Britain is seeking only to retain an exclusive grip on the Canal Zone. And this, despite London's sincere agreement with the proposal for a "phased" withdrawal of British troops and the proffered offer to render Egypt military and economic assistance in building up her security. General Naguib's "Get out and be damned" attitude may be all right for rabble rousing effects, but it overlooks some fundamental considerations which are just as important to Egypt as to other Middle East nations. Mr Selwyn Lloyd has pinpointed some of them.

For example, if Britain surrenders her position in the Zone in the manner demanded by Egypt, the Canal as a defensive base must inevitably, as well as quickly, become useless. And when that happens the security foundation of the whole Middle East will be imperilled and undermined. Yet another point of profound truth is that the Arab countries cannot "produce or procure the necessary equipment or skill to keep pace with the terrifying demands of modern warfare." In other words, without the assistance of friendly Western powers, Egypt and her neighbours become sitting targets for any modern armed aggressor. These considerations, however, seem not to distract General Naguib and his advisers one whit. Long-term policy is not their long suit. They prefer to mistake (quite wilfully) the shadow for the substance—a line of action which must jeopardise the future of Egypt. Britain has given plenty of evidence of her genuine desire to compose Anglo-Egyptian disputes. Hopes very naturally were raised that this was in sight when agreement was reached on the vexed question of the Sudan. That promising beginning was made possible by willingness on the part of both Britain and Egypt to modify their conditions in such a manner that they were able to be dovetailed. A similar process, is required in the matter of the Suez Canal Zone, but if it is to materialise the first move must be made by Egypt by amending her impossible demands. And this can be done without in any way compromising her national honour or her legitimate aspirations.

Dulles Urges Resumption Of Talks

London, May 13. The United States Ambassador to Britain, Mr Winthrop Aldrich, expressed American hopes for a resumption of the Anglo-Egyptian negotiations on the Suez Canal zone when he talked on Sir Winston Churchill today. He was believed to be in the well-informed quarters here.

The Ambassador is believed to have received urgent instructions from Mr John Foster Dulles, United States Secretary of State, who reached Tel-Aviv from Cairo today, to talk over with Sir Winston Churchill the latest crisis in Anglo-Egyptian relations. Mr Dulles is believed to have left Cairo with the firm impression that the best way of preventing a further serious outbreak of guerrilla activity in the Canal zone would be to get the Cairo talks restarted. These have been suspended on Egypt's initiative.

During this week's foreign affairs debate in the House of Commons, the Minister of State, Mr Selwyn Lloyd, disclosed that Britain found Egyptian claims to move out British technicians charged with the future care of the base as "unacceptable."

Sir Winston Churchill said he felt that no British initiative was now called for, but warned that British Canal zone troops would defend themselves if attacked. —Reuter.

Tories Win Seat From Socialists

Sunderland, May 13. Sir Winston Churchill's Conservatives scored a major victory over their Socialist opponents today by capturing their Parliamentary seat at South Sunderland in a bye-election. The result, announced tonight, was:
Paul Williams (Conservative): 23,114
Alexander Whipp (Labour): 21,939
Roy Leslie (Liberal): 2,524
Conservatives attached great importance to winning the seat, which Labour held with a majority of only 300 votes. They regarded the result as a real test of the government's prestige, which suffered a blow last week when the Conservative party had heavy reverses in nationwide municipal elections.—Reuter.

Dulles Meeting Ben Gurion Today

Tel-Aviv, May 14. The United States Secretary of State, Mr John Foster Dulles, will today meet Mr David Ben Gurion, Prime Minister of Israel.

His travelling companion, Mr Harold Stassen, Mutual Security Administrator, will meet the Finance and Trade Ministers. He is expected to discuss with Ben Gurion the problems of United States economic aid to Israel.

The meeting will take place in Jerusalem, and the Americans will leave for Jordan this afternoon.

Mr Dulles' visit has been welcomed by nearly all sections of opinion here except the Communists. They held an anti-Dulles rally last night and several fights started up between Communists and their opponents. Several youths were slightly hurt.

An authoritative source disclosed that Mr Dulles and Mr Moshe Sharet, Israel's Foreign Minister, discussed Israel-Arab relations at their meeting yesterday. Mr Sharet is believed to have said that Israel is ready to join a regional defence system, provided the Arabs made peace with her.

U.S. SENATORS ANGRY

Bitter Language Employed

Washington, May 13. A strong storm of criticism of the British government's Korean war policies broke out in the United States Senate today. Senators representing both the Republican and Democrat parties and both Liberal and Conservative groups, including the anti-Communist Senator Joseph McCarthy, all joined in denouncing bitterly alleged opposition to United States foreign policy in this week's speeches to the House of Commons by Sir Winston Churchill and Mr Attlee.

The language used to denounce the British on the Far East was some of the bitterest heard in the Senate since the debates in 1948 over Anglo-American differences on the Palestine question.

The debate was precipitated by Senator Paul Douglas (Democrat, Illinois) who usually votes with Liberal groups. He accused both Sir Winston Churchill and Mr Attlee of trying "to nudge the United States into such a position that it will be forced to acquiesce in the main features of the Communist proposal" of last week for a settlement of the Korean prisoners of war issue.

Senator William Knowland, Chairman of the Senate Republican Policy Committee, said that if Britain insisted on an "appeasement settlement" with the Communists, the United States must be "prepared to go it alone" in Korea.

He added in a prepared speech that it would be a tragic mistake for the United Nations to accept Communist proposals to turn over to five "neutral" nations those prisoners of war who did not want to go home.

The Senator attacked the stand taken on Korea by Sir Winston Churchill and Mr Clement Attlee in the House of Commons yesterday.

"What in effect Churchill and Attlee were saying to us by their speech in Parliament," Senator Knowland said, "was that we should accept the Communist eight-point proposal and should stop trying to clarify or modify the proposal to maintain the principles for which we have suffered 135,000 casualties in the past two and a half years."

"In effect, what they have told us is that if we do not accept their advice and the Chinese Communists persist in the war, we must be prepared to go it alone. So be it."

GRIM FACED Senator Knowland, who previously had attacked the inclusion of India among the five nations designated to handle prisoners of war, was grim faced as he handed advance texts of his speech to reporters.

Before Senator Knowland could get the floor to make his speech, Senator Paul Douglas (Democrat, Illinois) voiced an appeal in the Senate to the British Government to stop urging the United States to "seek security at the expense of liberty" on the Korean prisoner of war issue.

"Apparently," he said, "they (Sir Winston Churchill and Mr Attlee) are nudging the United States into a position where we will have to acquiesce in the main features of the Communist proposal."

He contended that that would mean "a tremendous moral victory" for the Communist cause and provide ammunition for propaganda claims that "the Democrats will not defend their own and those who come over to them."

Cold, But At Least Alive!



Here are two survivors from the wrecked steamer Duke of York involved recently in a collision in the North Sea. Cold and huddled up in heavy clothing and blankets, they await transportation after being landed at Harwich. —AP Photo.

Britain Appoints A Chieftain

Serotse Khama's Successor

Serowe, May 13. Britain today abruptly ended three years of direct rule over the Bamangwato tribe of Bechuanaland by appointing a tribesman to exercise native authority instead of Chief Serotse Khama, banished after his marriage to a London tylist.

The Resident Commissioner, Mr Forbes MacKenzie, summoned tribesmen to a Gkotla, the traditional meeting, and announced that he would transfer authority over them to Rasobala, a quiet dignified man of 47 who is in line of succession to the Khama ruling family.

The British decision followed abortive attempts at previous Gkotlas to make the Bamangwato pick a successor to Serotse. During those meetings, the British spokesman repeatedly commended Rasobala to the arguing tribesmen.

Rasobala will not be formally chief over the 18,000 Bamangwato and the 80,000 members of the subordinate tribes. He will not wear the leopard skin which goes with the chief's authority.

But, the announcement said, "he will be clothed with all the responsibility of office of native authority." He will take charge of the tribe's day to day affairs. Rasobala served with the Royal Pioneer Corps in the Middle East during the second world war, attaining the rank of Regimental Sergeant Major—the highest open to him as an African.

He won the British Empire Medal for his service and was decorated personally by the late King George VI when he visited Bechuanaland in 1947.—Reuter.

DEATH OF LORD CROMER

London, May 13. Lord Cromer died in his sleep here today aged 70. Lord Cromer had been Permanent Lord-in-Waiting to Queen Elizabeth since 1952, and to her father, the late King George VI between 1938 and 1952. His half brother is Sir Evelyn Baring, Governor and Commander-in-Chief in Kenya.—Reuter.

McCarthy Accused Of Running 'Smear Campaign' BRITISH SHIPOWNERS AND TRADING WITH CHINA

London, May 13. Lord Winstanley, a Labour peer, today accused Senator Joseph McCarthy of running a "smear campaign" against British shipowners trading with Communist China. His "campaign" which was "in furtherance of his political ambitions" was an affair for the American Government, Lord Winstanley told the House of Lords.

But when it came to making "slandorous statements" about British shipowners who had done nothing wrong, he did not think it could have a very happy effect on Anglo-American relations.

Lord Winstanley called attention to a report that a witness before Senator McCarthy's investigating Committee had alleged that the Blue Funnel Line and Wheelock Marden Company Ltd. had vessels trading with Communist China as well as with other countries since the Korean war began.

Senator McCarthy was said to have described the alleged British action as "the most inexcusable thing I ever heard of" Lord Winstanley said.

He asked if those lines or any other British shipowners had in fact committed any act in violation with the United Nations resolution banning trade in strategic goods with China and North Korea.

GOVT. POLICY Lord Reading, joint Foreign Under-Secretary, said it had not been the British Government's policy to restrict trade with China in non-strategic goods. Ships of the companies named, together with many others, had engaged in such business. Until the control of trade by sea with China and North Korea ended, 1953, there was in fact no law preventing goods being carried by British ships to China from ports outside Britain and the Colonies. British ships, as was to be expected, had shown commendable judgment in avoiding the carriage of goods evidently intended for war.

Only in a few isolated cases, Lord Reading added, had items of some strategic importance been included in the mixed cargoes of British ships going to China from ports outside Britain and the Colonies.

Such a proceeding was in no way illegal. Any uncertainty shipowners might have felt about what was to be regarded as "strategic" and what was not had now been removed by new regulations which prohibited any British ships carrying...

Life Sentence For Kidnapper Rizal Ena Tunga, May 13. who was convicted of kidnapping a 12-year-old school girl last August 22 was today sentenced to life imprisonment by Judge H. Calang of the Manila Court of First Instance.

Tunga was arrested last year when a 12-year-old girl, Leticia Quinsua, reported to the police that Tunga and two men had taken her to a house in Manila's Tondo district from where she escaped. Tunga's two companions are still at large.—Reuter.

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South Africans Await Next Move By Malan

Pretoria, May 13.

South Africans are waiting to see how the newly re-elected Nationalist Party Government will be able to carry out their pledge to establish the "sovereignty of parliament" over the courts, while they are still without the desired two-thirds parliamentary majority required for constitutional changes.

Dr Daniel Malan, the Prime Minister, now controls 94 of the South African Assembly's 159 seats compared with 86 in the last parliament but he is still short of the strength he wants jointly in both Houses of Parliament to pass certain legislation without the fear of it being rejected in legal test cases.

In the 48-member Senate which was not involved in the recent general election, the Nationalists held only 27 seats at the end of the last Parliament in February.

The Government's immediate problem is their Coloured Voters Bill, a measure to transfer non-African coloured voters from the common voters' roll to a separate register. Their plan to carry this out was thwarted in the last Parliament by appeal court decisions that it was invalid because it had been approved by only a bare parliamentary majority.

These coloured voters, a century-old mixed racial community living mostly in Cape Province, with male members granted traditional voting rights by early settlers, are specifically protected by the South African Constitution.

The Constitution, embodied in the South African Act of 1910 passed by the British Parliament to create the Union, established that any law seeking to disqualify voters in Cape Province on the grounds of race or colour only must have a two-thirds majority vote of the Assembly and Senate in joint session.

Similar provisions applied to any law seeking to repeal or alter the status of English and Afrikaans as South Africa's official languages.

CLEAR MANDATE?

These voting and language rights are known as the "Entrenched Clauses" of the constitution.

Pressing their apartheid or complete segregation policies for coloured peoples in South Africa, the Nationalist Government feel that the so-called "Cape Coloureds" should no longer vote with whites on the common roll in elections but have their own register to elect four representatives of their own in Parliament. Africans already have a similar restricted

franchise giving them three white Members of Parliament. More than doubling their majority in the last election with apartheid as their main platform, the Nationalists see a clear mandate to pursue their racial legislation but face a recurring impasse if the constitution is strictly respected.

When the Nationalist Government suffered two reverses from the courts on the coloured voters controversy in the last Parliament, they bided their time for the nation to decide the issue in the election.

NEXT MOVE

First the Coloured Voters Bill was found unconstitutional and the same fate greeted the Government's original High Court of Parliament Act designed to turn parliament into a high court with powers to overrule the Appeal Court decision.

Now that the "answer" from the electorate is not quite emphatic enough in terms of seats to provide a ready-made solution to the constitutional issue, the government's next move is awaited—with international interest.

Right after the election, encouraged by his return to power with increased strength, Dr Malan made overtures to the defeated United Party Opposition, beckoning "12 or 13" of them to join the Government in a vote to clear up the colour issue and end the parliamentary controversy.

The Opposition leader, Mr Jacobus Strauss, replied there were no "Quislings" on his side.

Some observers believe that the Nationalist Government may re-introduce the Coloured Voters Bill without delay when the new Parliament meets on July 3 at Cape Town, mainly to pass the budget. Others think that the Bill will be delayed until the most available time for it is seen or has been prepared. —Reuter.

Council Of Europe Assembly Makes Call To America

Strasbourg, May 13.

The Consultative Assembly of the Council of Europe today appealed to the United States to lower tariffs and simplify customs procedure to help European economic recovery.

In the same resolution, approved by a unanimous vote, the Assembly called for more trade with Communist countries.

The Assembly today wound up a two-day economic debate and adjourned further work of its fifth session until June 28.

British Labour delegate George Brown said West Europe must impress on the United States that "we want trade in order to earn our share of the costs of the maintenance of the free world".

He said the U.S. must "liberalise trade or accept responsibility for a most unhappy situation." Mr Robert H. Foggy, British Conservative delegate, said it was time Europe tried to find its own remedy for "the endemic economic disease of the free world" and stopped asking the U.S. for more dollars.

As a start he suggested some liberalisation of trade, some co-ordination of monetary policies, a more flexible European currency system, relaxation of physical controls and gradual extension of a system of preferential tariffs.

Today's resolution said one main goal of the European nations was free currency convertibility but emphasised that convertibility in itself could not remedy the fundamental "unbalance" between dollar and non-dollar areas.—Reuter.

U.S. GESTURE

Washington, May 13. The Secretary of the United States Treasury, Mr George Humphrey, today endorsed a proposed new customs simplification bill which would ease the entry of foreign goods into the dollar market.

The Bill, now pending before Congress, does not change tariff rates. It was designed to eliminate a mass of customs red tape which, foreign businessmen have complained, was a greater handicap to trade than tariffs themselves.

Congressional Committee hearings on the Bill are to begin on June 1.—Reuter.

STILL LONG WAY OFF

Paris, May 13. The Foreign Ministers of the six Schuman Plan nations wound up a two-day meeting tonight with a renewed pledge to set up a joint parliament to control their coal-steel merger and the projected European Army.

But observers said their talks on the draft constitution for the new political merger have clearly shown that the day when Parliamentarians of the six nations—France, West Germany, Italy, Belgium, the Netherlands and Luxembourg—take their seats in a Common European Assembly is still a long way off, maybe years.

Germany and Italy are anxious to press ahead with the Union but France and the Benelux countries are having second thoughts and are clearly determined not to rush things. The Ministers will meet again in Rome next month.—Reuter.

Perth Given Extra Day

Perth, May 13. Western Australians have been given a four-day holiday in Coronation Week today rather than the holiday granted in other States.

Coronation day falls on the day after Western Australia's normal public holiday commemorating the foundation of the State, and many city workers are expected to take advantage of the long break for holidays at out-of-town resorts.

Church services in the morning of June 2, military parades in the afternoon and fireworks displays in the evening, are the order of celebrations in Perth and country towns.—United Press.

Rocket Plane Tragedy

Niagara Falls, May 13.

Canadian Air Force planes patrolling Lake Ontario today spotted wreckage and all believed to be from a secret American rocket plane which crashed near here last night.

They reported there was no sign of the two men missing from the rocket motor plane after an explosion ripped the experimental craft free about 15 miles from the Lake's American shore, northeast of Rochester, last night.

Both employees of the Bell Aircraft Company, the men are believed to have fallen, jumped or been blown from the B50 during the explosion.—Reuter.

German General Deserts

Berlin, May 13.

The chief of the East German coastal defences fled to the West a few days before he was to be promoted to Major-General, West Berlin authorities announced.

Officials said that Col Siegfried Gerber, 37, a career Communist who was wounded in the Battle of Berlin in 1945 as a tank commander, escaped to the West late last month.

On his arrival he said, "I hate Communism. I realise it is just as bad as Nazism."

Gerber was the highest ranking officer of the Communist People's Police to flee to the West since the war, officials said. He fled although he knew that he was to be promoted to Major-General on May 1 and was to be officially placed in command of East Germany's coastal defences.

He had been in charge of the coastal defences for several months but the announcement of his assignment was to be made by the Communists simultaneously with his promotion to Major-General.

Gerber asked for asylum with his wife. He drove to East Berlin in his official car, then boarded an overhead railway train and rode into the Allied-occupied West Berlin.

His flight to the West is believed to have retarded for several months East German defence preparations on the Baltic sea coast.

In addition to commanding coastal defences, Gerber was the chief of the Soviet zone's naval training centre at Kuehninghorn, officials said.—United Press.

Confirmed By Senate

Washington, May 13.

The Senate today confirmed the nomination of Mr Horacio Hildreth as United States Ambassador to Pakistan. Mr Hildreth has been President of Bucknell College in Pennsylvania for the past four years.—France Press.

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50-Year Defence Plan For Europe Suggested By Lord Montgomery

London, May 13.

Field-Marshal Lord Montgomery, Deputy Supreme Allied Commander in Europe, today called for a European defence plan to give security for "50 years or more."

The present East-West contest was fundamentally "a struggle for the soul of Germany, a struggle which began before the last war ended," he told newspaper executives here.

Though there were grave troubles in the Far East, the heart of the matter was to be found in Germany.

INDO-CHINA ORDER RESENTED

Devaluation Brings Difficulties

Salon, May 13. Business was virtually at a standstill throughout Indo-China today as the country tried to sort out economic difficulties caused by the French Government's devaluation of the Indo-Chinese piastre.

Nguyen Van Lum, the Vietnamese President, described devaluation as "a flagrant violation of Franco-Vietnamese agreements and an act which will considerably weaken the country's war effort."

Vietnam was in the process of making a considerable contribution to the cost of the Indo-China war, he said, but it was now doubtful if she would be able to afford it.

His criticisms were echoed by Government officials and businessmen.

They were particularly angry that France had devalued the piastre without consulting the Vietnamese.

One diplomat commented: "This will stretch the seams of an already deteriorating political situation."

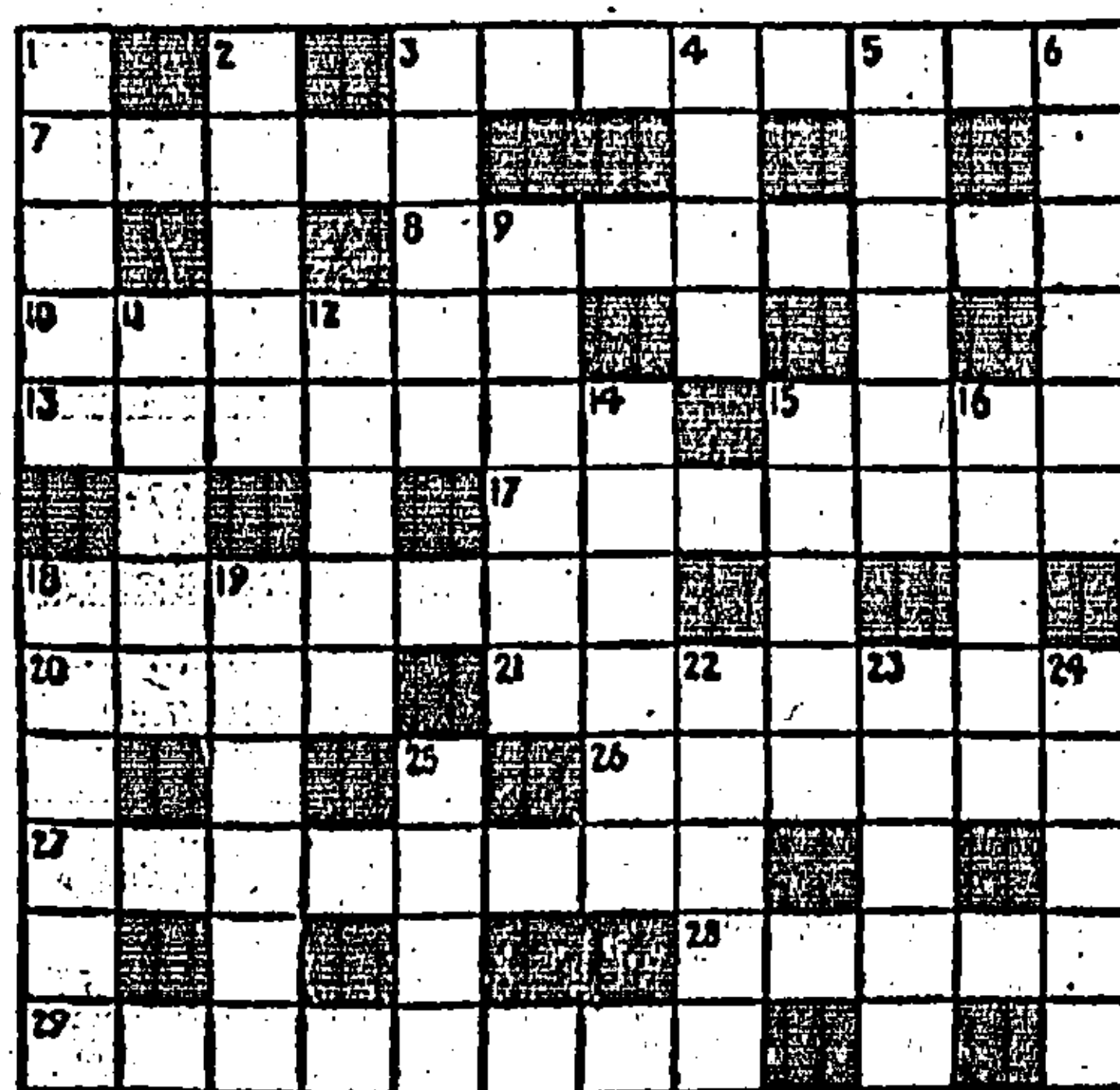
"It is certainly not the way to convince the people of Indo-China that the days of French control are over," Reuter.

JAPANESE HELP FOR FORMOSA

Taipei, May 13. Japanese shipbuilders would be asked to help the development of shipbuilding on Formosa, the Nationalist-Chinese news agency, Chinese News Service, reported today.

Mr. Taguchi, General Manager of the Ishikawa-Jima Heavy Industry Company of Japan, is to visit Formosa to work out a technical assistance agreement with the Taiwan Shipbuilding Corporation, the agency said—Reuter.

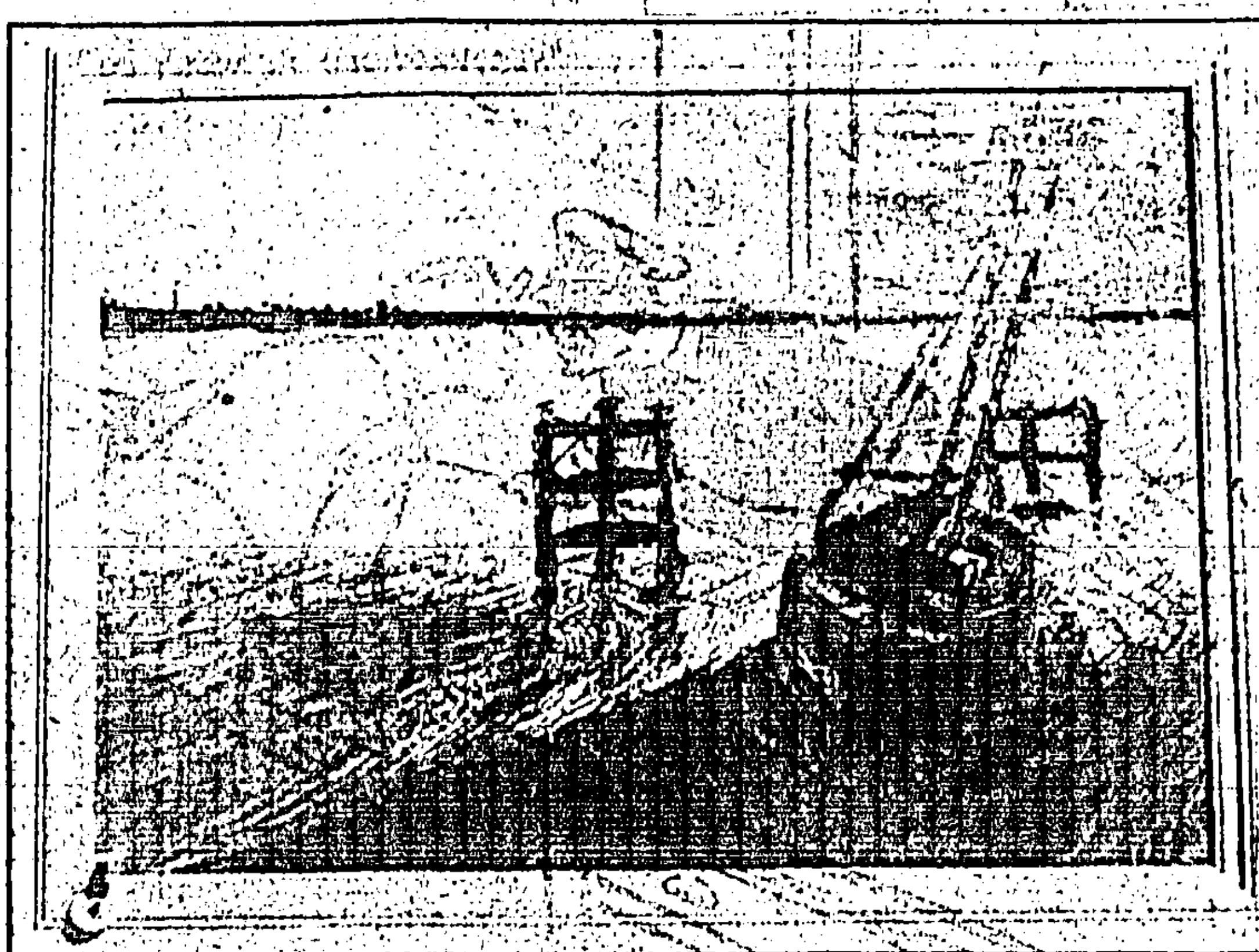
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Royal Artists Display Works In London



Attracting much attention at the Coronation "Painting is a Pleasure" exhibition at the Trafalgar Gallery in Mount Street, London, are two works by members of the Royal Family—the Duchess of Kent and her son, the young Duke of Kent. The Duke's picture, above, shows a fishing boat, careened at the water's edge. The Duchess' contribution, at left—a fine crayon portrait of Princess Margaret, signed in one corner "M.K. 1951"—is the central feature of the exhibition.—Express Photos.

Factories To Produce Super-Cloth

London, May 13. Britain's latest glamour material—Terylene—is to be made in Canada at a 27,000,000 plant being built near Kingston, Ontario, by the giant Imperial Chemical Industries.

Terylene is the wonder textile that can be made either shimmering like silk and nylon, or fleecy and warm like wool.

It can be used for dresses, suits, or underwear. For all its glamour it is tough. Motifs will not touch it, and it is greaseproof.

Two British scientists—John Winfield and James Dickson—invented it a few years ago. In Britain, I.C.I. is spending millions on a new plant that will make it at Wilton, Yorkshire.

Korea Casualties

Washington, May 13. American battle casualties in Korea now total 134,958, an increase of 153 over last week's summary, the Defence Department reported today. It was the smallest weekly increase since the March 28 report when the total increase was 123.—United Press.

Dedication Ceremony At Labuan

Melbourne, May 13. The biggest British war cemetery in the Pacific area will be dedicated at Labuan, North Borneo, on June 10.

A special memorial will commemorate British, Indian and Australian who lost their lives in the Borneo campaign and on the Sandakan death march.

Four thousand British Commonwealth troops are buried there.

In addition 2,000 unidentified and missing are remembered.

This was stated tonight by Brigadier A. E. Brown, Secretary-General of the Imperial War Graves Commission.

Brigadier Brown said an Australian Cabinet Minister, the chiefs of the three armed services in Malaya and two Royal Navy ships from Singapore and Hongkong are expected to attend.

Brigadier Brown added: "The Labuan cemetery is the largest in the Pacific area. It is a magnificent memorial to the dead."—Reuter.

FATE OF REFUGEES IN CHINA

Question Asked In The Commons

London, May 13. Mr. Reginald Sorensen (Labour) asked the Foreign Secretary in the House of Commons today if he would suggest that the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees should make inquiries about the 10,000 European refugees who had settled in China.

He also asked if the High Commissioner would ask the Chinese People's Republic to help them or have them transferred to other countries.

Mr. Anthony Nutting, the Foreign Under-Secretary, said: "The United Nations High Commissioner already has full information about these refugees and is doing all he can to help them."

"I have discussed personally with him the question of resettling them and he is considering various possibilities."

In reply to another question Mr. Nutting said: "We have made a little progress, but I do not want to raise many hopes in case we may not be able to bring them to fruition."—Reuter.

Harold Wilson In Moscow

Moscow, May 13. Mr. Harold Wilson, former Labour President of the British Board of Trade, arrived today from Prague for talks on the export of Russian timber to Britain.

He is expected to stay here a week and will also discuss general East-West trade prospects with Soviet officials.

Mr. Wilson is "one of the chief supporters in the House of Commons of the left-wing Labour leader, Mr. Aneurin Bevan."

He has been a paid adviser to a London timber importing firm for the last two years.—Reuter.

Lisbon's New Hospital

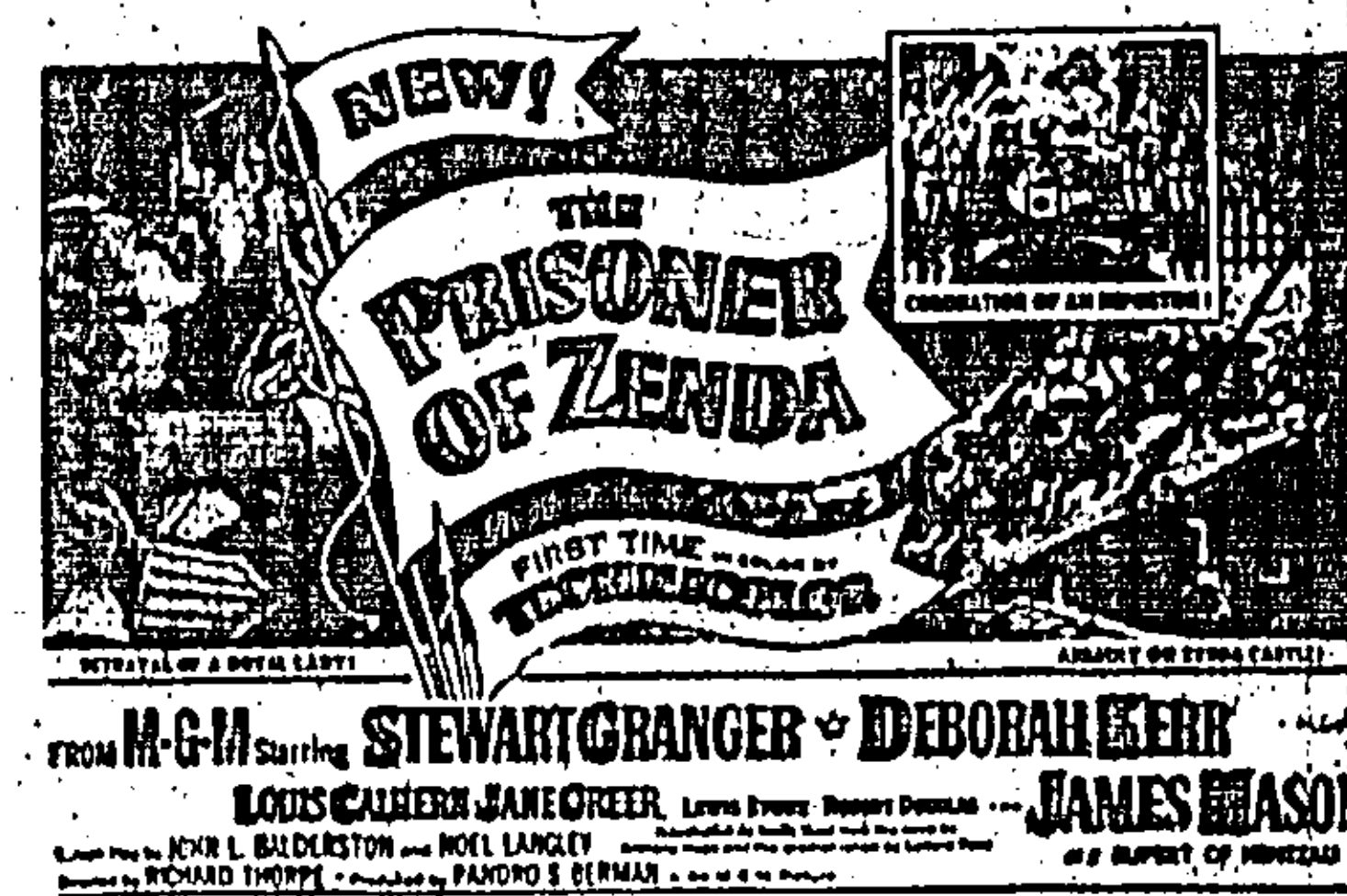
Lisbon, May 12.

Lisbon's new, German-designed 1,500-bed general hospital will soon open its doors to the public after 10 years of preparation. The 417,000,000 hospital, begun in the shortage-ridden days of 1943, was planned by German architect Herman Dinkel, who died in 1945. It is the biggest building in Portugal and also a pressing need for hospital space, bringing the total of hospital beds in Portugal to 25,000.

When in full operation later this year, the State-built hospital, which includes medical school facilities, will have a staff of 1,000.—United Press.

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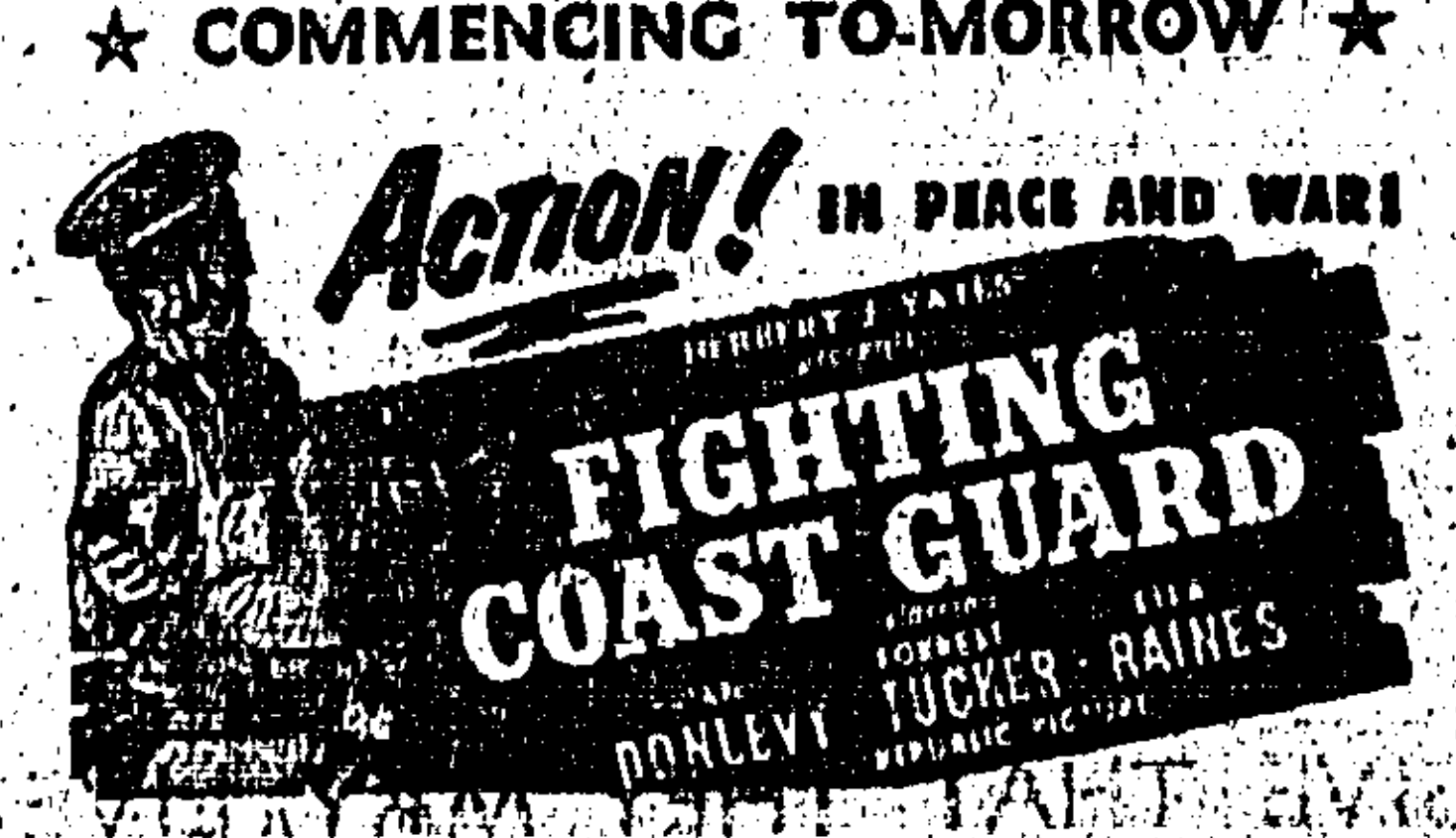
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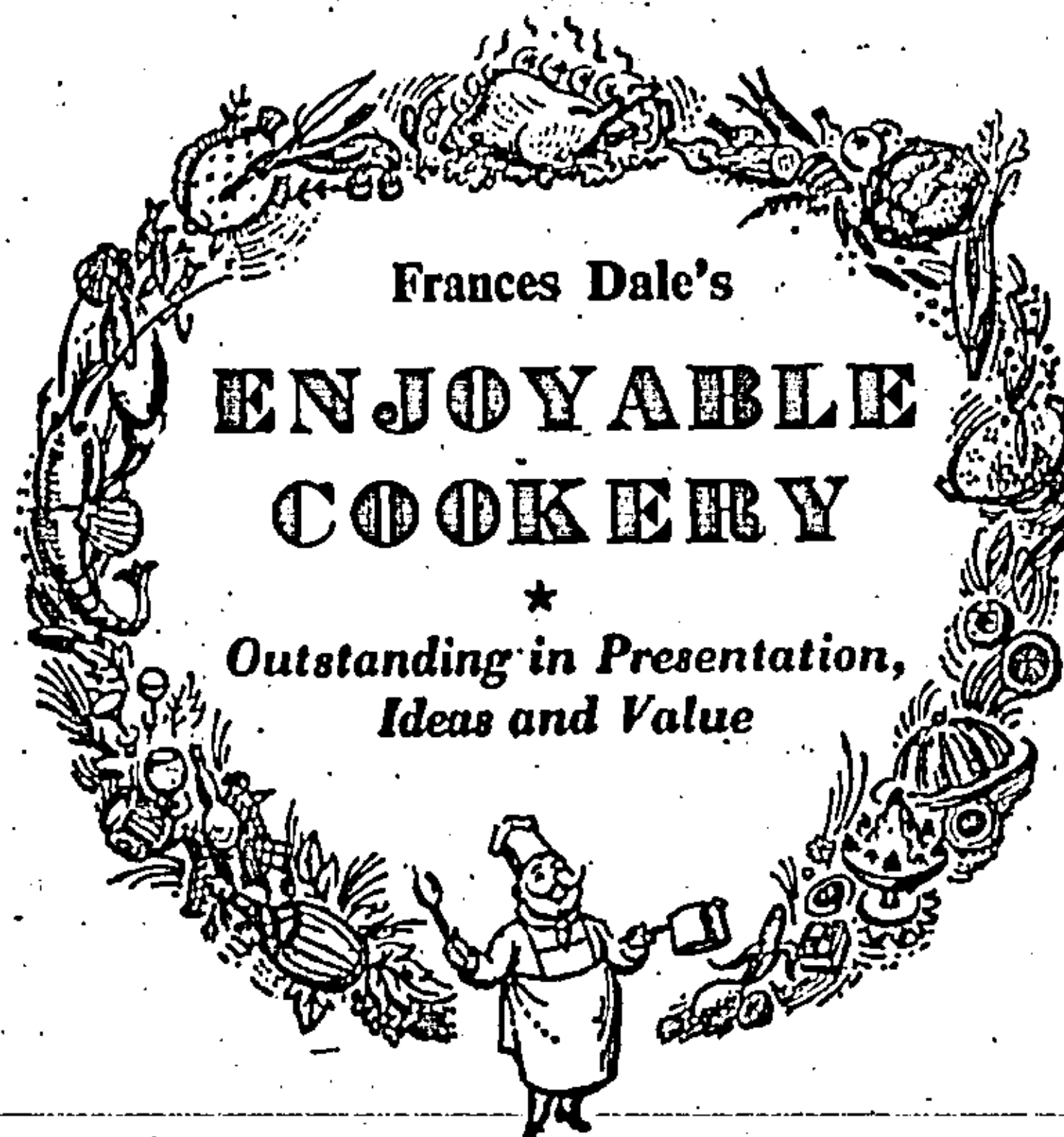
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The Cig Girl Who Married An Angel

One woman's art show gives the Cinderella story a new twist in the world where money goes in search of genius

by EVELYN IRONS

HANGING on the walls of a millionaire's Manhattan flat are a collection of portraits and landscapes by a new artist. After painting for only three years, the artist recently had a one-woman show in New York. Academically there were plenty of faults to be found with her painting, but the vigour and colour sense compelled admiration.

The name is Marjorie Huntington Hartford, and hers is New York's real life Cinderella story.

In 1948, blonde, slim Marjorie Steele was a struggling young actress of 18. To pay for her dramatic school lessons she worked as a cigarette girl at Ciro's, Hollywood's plushiest night club.

To Ciro's one September night came a man with millions of dollars and a load of unordained ideas—George Huntington Hartford. Because he did not smoke he waved the cigarette girl away. Then he looked at her, called her back and bought all the smokes she had, including the cigars. The following year they were married.

It was, of course, a wonderful thing for Marjorie, the struggling Hollywood actress, to marry a millionaire, be whisked off to Fortino for a romantic Mediterranean honeymoon, and play the lead in a film financed by her husband. But it did the millionaire a lot of good too.

Familiar Lines

UP to then Hartford's story run on familiar poor-little-rich-boy lines.

He was one of the heirs to the world's largest grocery chain stores, the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Co., known as A and P in more than 3,000 American towns. The business originated nearly 100 years ago, when his grandfather opened a garish new dry goods shop in New York.

But the company, with the £1,000 million a year turnover, meant little to him. Even his father, Edward, who died in 1922, left the sordid transactions of grocery to his two brothers, George's uncles, and interested himself in odd little inventions and gadgets, one of which a shock absorber, made him another fortune.

"One Hartford ought to be a gentleman," Edward used to say. George was only 11 when his father died. In his first year at Harvard his mother had to call in the aid of a "reasonable woman" to get him out of the clutches of a New York adventuress.

At 20 he married a dentist's daughter from Virginia, Mary Elizabeth Epling, who is now Mrs Douglas Fairbanks. The marriage ended in divorce eight years later, with Hartford paying out a million and a half dollars in settlement.

Meanwhile, graduating from Harvard in 1934, when he was 23, Hartford made the motions of entering the family business with its 7,500 stores and 100,000 employees.

Soon he was out, and toying with journalism. He had a financial interest in a New York newspaper. In a brief spell as a reporter he covered his assignments in a chauffeur-driven limousine.

Then he thought he would like to produce movies in Hollywood. But the war caught up with him. He joined the navy, served four years in zones varying from Greenland to the South Pacific.

Demobilised he went into an exotic line of business. With Bill Deering, an old friend, he started a "talent agency" for Hollywood glamour girls. That was as far as his postwar career had gone when he set eyes on his cigarette girl.

Active Life

NOW, nearing his 42nd birthday, Hartford's enthusiasms are channelled into a whole network of artistic enterprises.

"When I went to see him in his penthouse in River House, overlooking the United Nations building and the sweeping East River, 23-year-old Marjorie was rushing out to see her agent in a coat she described as 'plucked racoon' (she could afford cables, but she does not even own a mink).

Off-stage, her husband was engaged in an interminable business talk on the long-distance telephone to Hollywood.

The living-room suggested a fury of activity, books overflowing from their shelves on to tables and chairs, long-playing records piled on the floor, odd canvases piled against the wall, a desk littered with papers and photographs, radio and TV sets.

Millionaire Hartford strode in, still in dressing-gown and his pyjamas, bubbling over with his schemes as if he were a boy in his twenties instead of a middle-aged man whose hair was showing streaks of grey.

He had bought the rights in a dozen short stories which he proposed to make into films. He had an arrangement to release six of his films through RKO, one brace of "Face To Face" with his wife starring in a Wild West episode, was already playing in New York.

Writing Novel

HE laughed wryly when I suggested that he could disregard the box office.

"Anything over 200,000 dollars a year is income-taxed at 22 per cent," he said. "I must at least break even."

He is three-quarters of the way through writing a novel. He has published an angry little book called "Has God Been Insulted Here?" in which he lambasts the "school" of American fiction, Picasso and modern cubism, all of which he regards as subversively directed against wealth and privilege.

He is proud of being a Maccenas of the arts. Back in

California he has started a colony for painters, writers, sculptors, composers, on a 150-acre estate at Pacific Palisades—the Huntington Hartford Foundation, where about 40 possible geniuses can forget their financial worries and concentrate on artistic production. This, he says, is his "baby."

Another of his schemes, in which he is sinking £1,500,000, is the building of a recreation centre in Los Angeles, with a theatre seating 1,300, a basement movie house, colonnades of shops, offices, bars.

He is studying plans for a contemporary museum of art. And his model agency is still paying him dividend.

He is also a theatrical "angel": one of his investments, a big current success in New York, is "The Seven Year Itch," a play about a husband who dabbles in dalliance when his wife is away, only to discover that he is not the dallying sort.

What with Marjorie's painting and her film career, the penthouse is as busy a workshop as you will find in all New York. The Hartfords have a daughter—blonde, two-year-old Cathy—to add to their other occupations. Next month they hope for an heir to the family millions.

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Where Nigel Balchin sees romance

Now he writes of
"Vanity... jealousy
... Ambition— and
a hint of scandal."

there be enough steel rod available to enable this medium-sized sprayer to be delivered in three months instead of nine? Who still get the controlling shares?

This may sound technical and indigestible, but Balchin's easy, almost casual, writing has made it readable and appealing. His sheet metal and directors' meetings are merely the backcloth against which jealousy, vanity, and ambition reveal the part they play in the grand passion of money-making.

His characters work. Whether they are doctors in "Mine Own Executioner," or biologists in "A Sort of Traitors," their jobs demand

And Balchin has not neglected the Balchin novel ever does that other and more obvious passion. A director is accused of molesting a girl who operates

by Milton Shulman

most of their time and their energies, and they are always conscious of having the rent to pay.

Balchin himself has no precise idea of why other authors find so little inspiration in perspiration. "It may be snobbery, it may be that they think work is dull, or it may be that novelists know little about other people's working lives," he said.

Subtle task

COMING as it did after "The Small Back Room," it placed Balchin in that select company of authors whom the critics respect and the public buy.

In his latest book, "Sundry Creditors" (Collins, 10s. 6d.), Balchin sets himself the subtle task of humanising business. This in itself gives it the distinction of novelty, for most English writers prefer their characters to float about in a world of unearned or unexplained income.

But Balchin has never been content to create types arbitrarily labelled barris-

"But there is no doubt that whereas you can write almost anything you like about sex, there is something distinctly vulgar about money."

"Sundry Creditors" isolates an old-established engineering firm in the Midlands, and probes about its boardroom, press shop, assembly line and canteen, finding intrigues and scandals.

Can the firm get rid of its fabricating contracts and confine itself to its own patented products? Will

an electric screw-driver on the assembly line. The managing director's 18-year-old daughter spends a week-end in Hastings with the young workers' representative on the works council.

Romance sometimes, Blunt Balchin's normally perceptive and adult touch, in sentences like: "His arms were round her and his body was as hard as a rock and her lips were crushed against his own teeth," his intentions may be Freudian, but the language is seriously close to Ruby M. Ayres.

'Executive'

DESPITE his established reputation as a best-selling novelist, Nigel Balchin describes himself on his passport as a "business executive."

This is because he still holds his pre-war job with a large chocolate firm as an adviser on such matters as marketing, production methods, and personnel. "Although most of my time is now spent on writing," he said, "I still think it important to keep my interests in business, since it brings me into contact with people I wouldn't normally meet."

Because Balchin's father was a small tradesman, his only chance of remaining at Cambridge was through scholarships. This decided him to take up Natural Science, where the competition was not as fierce as in the English department.

Specialised

HIS subsequent employment conveniently reveals where he acquired the specialised knowledge he has used in most of his novels.

Five years at the National Institute of Industrial Psychology gave him what he needed for "Mine Own Executioner," his work at the Ministry of Food and as deputy scientific adviser to the Army Council during the war supplied him with the atmosphere for "The Small Back Room" and "A Sort of Traitors." His experience as a director and industrial consultant is evident on every page of "Sundry Creditors."

Now 44, Nigel Balchin has three daughters, a cottage in the country, and a comfortable flat in London, a passion for exotic rugs, and a healthy ability at cricket and tennis.

Significant

BUT the fact that his books now sell in the tens of thousands is less important to him than satisfying his ambition to make his novels more significant.

"I'm not so worried about selling technically," he said, "but about getting the content better. He always finds enough truth in a bad, critical objection to deserve a reply."

"Sundry Creditors" with its realistic and natural dialogue, its vivid presentation of business life, its emotional, but not overly sentimental, story-telling, will not do much for Balchin's fame, but it will

But it is a legend, but he seems the same to me."

I LIKE MRS FILM

says EVE PERRICK

THE question was very delicately phrased. I asked Mrs Sam Goldwyn her formula for growing up in Hollywood.

"It's all right," said she. "You can say 'growing old' in Hollywood. I don't mind at all. I've lived there for 28 years. I'm proud of my age—but please don't print it."

Well, whether the one-time Broadway actress Frances Howard has grown up or grown old in Hollywood, she first came there, as she said, 28 years ago as the bride of the legendary Mr Goldwyn, who was then merely a film producer. They had met in New York.

"I had just got a film contract and I thought it might be a good idea to have a beau in Hollywood, where I didn't know a single chick. The next thing I knew we were married."

They have been married ever since. "Not such a strange thing you know—there are many other

long-lasting happy marriages there."

Mrs Goldwyn, a school-girlish slender grandmother, is a relaxed, easy-to-talk-to woman.

Hollywood? It is perhaps the most exciting place in the world from where to watch the crowd.

"You know, I'd like to be able to say that the standard of feminine beauty was on the decline out there. But I'm forced to admit that each year's crop of newcomers looks even better than the last. I frankly don't like it a bit."

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"There's one gratifying thing about being Mrs Hollywood. All the Miss Hollywoods soon realise you are not in competition with them, and you get to know them as people."

Any regrets about giving up her career? "Well, the great American public

didn't really suffer a terrible loss when I gave up the stage. I regret to have to say there was no great clamour to get me back.

"But I've still got the letter the studio sent me after Sam asked me to drop the five-year contract they offered. It says I can take it up again any time I want to. Wouldn't they be in a fix if I decided to start a film career now?"

The role that Mrs Goldwyn likes best is being a grandmother. "It's lovely—all the fun and no responsibility."

"You feed the baby too much cake—Mama has to deal with the after-effects, but she need never know whose fault it is, if baby doesn't squeal."

Grannie's gimmick is taking her own coffee-maker with her wherever she goes. In America she travels with an electric percolator, but in Europe, because of differences in the current, she uses a small samovar arrangement.

In spite of all this, Frances Goldwyn cannot be described as a "character." She's a person. And she insists she isn't married to a "character" either.



The part about the wolf.... would you mind yawning through it again?

BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

IN Crawley there is a man who belonged to the Tory and Socialist parties, but voted Liberal. So far, so good.

He should have met the old woman who said to the polling official, "I wish to vote for the Tory candidate." "I'm afraid you can't do that," said the official. "You must vote for the one you wish to represent you," said the woman. "Well, but—," "I like them all," said the woman, "but I want to vote for the Tory candidate." "This is an election," said the official. "I don't care," said the woman. "Elect away. I only want to vote for the three people. I'm not interested in anything else."

Rustiguzzi arrives

EMILIA RUSTIGUZZI, the famous coloratura soprano, stepped from a plane at London Airport yesterday. "Like your post, Brownie," she said. "I am in England now that April is here." Asked to sing a note or two, she let out a yell that seemed to break the microphone and blow the hat of a reporter. An ambulance was rushed to the spot, but drove away when it was found that nobody was hurt. The massive diva then entered a waiting car, and put her feet on the floor.

The Huntingdonshire Cabmen

THE 1953 gala edition of the "List of Huntingdonshire Cabmen," contains a long introduction by Dame Katharine Westlake. It has been chosen as the book of the Month by three local newspapers, and the publishers announce that a French translation is being prepared by M. Paul-Louis Desvieux, of the Société Anonyme de Montpelier. Translations in this connection, as no attempt will be made to translate such names as "People," "Hill," or "Hillside," it might be a graceful gesture if the English publishers were to commission a translation from the French of the list of Rouen taxi-drivers, published by Colliquet last June. Surely an occasional half-hour broadcast of the names would run no risk of being unduly controversial.

Recount demanded

THE Gallup Poll officials must have been very busy lately. They are used to telling us what people are thinking. They now tell us what people are doing. In June, they will disagree with the prophecy that 2,162,429 people will visit London on June 2. It is possible that they suspect that they counted Mrs. Fick, Mr. Dallett and Mr. Fender, who "don't know."

YOUR BIRTHDAY... By STELLA

THURSDAY, MAY 14

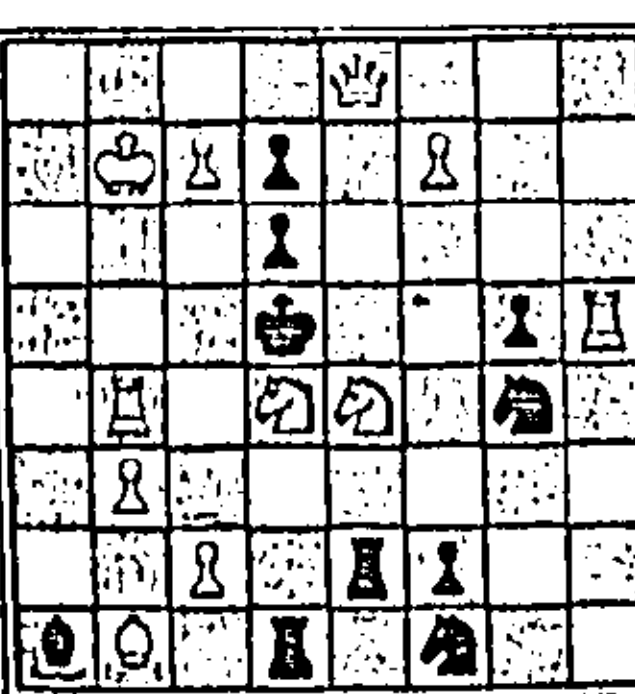
BORN today, you have exceptionally strong likes and dislikes, and you show them. You do have a sixth sense about people and are a good judge of character. Put this talent to work and you can be very successful in work where you must deal with people. You will find that you will diminish if you don't utilize them. If you make use of them, they can just as easily increase. You are not an easy character to understand; you "blow hot and cold" over ideas and people. You are a creature of moods and only those who know you very well can hope to cope with your erratic temperament. Since you also have been given creative powers, you can justify your temperament by writing, painting, composing.

FRIDAY, MAY 15

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 21)—Don't let your emotions run away with you. You will regret it. GEMINI (May 22-June 21)—If an invitation is offered to you this evening, accept it. It will do you good to change your environment. CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Be calm and collected, even if you have a tremendous lot of work to do. To rush will mean making mistakes. LEO (July 24-Aug. 23)—Time is the time when you could ask help from an expert. Fault-finders are no help. Constructive criticism may be of use. VIRGO (Aug. 24-Sept. 23)—Don't go off the deep end. Give advice unless you know it will be appreciated. Wait until you're asked to give it.

CHESS PROBLEM

By S. SANDIN
Black, 10 pieces.



White, 11 pieces.
White to play; mate in two.
Solution to yesterday's problem:
1. Kt-Q4, 1... K-B4; 2. Kt-B2 (ch); 1... Kt-Q1; 2. Kt-K2; 1... Kt-Q3; 2. Kt-B2; 1... Kt-B4; 2. Kt-B5; 1... Kt-R4; 2. Kt(Q)-K6.

DUMB-BELLS

IT'S A STRANGE THING, BUT YOUR STANCE IS SHOCKING. YOUR FORM IS A DISGRACE.



JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Using Bad Play Ruins Any Game

BY OSWALD JACOBY

TODAY'S hand was a rather sad experience for one of the players, but it illustrates the kind of reasoning that is necessary for good bridge playing. East thought that he had made an unfortunate guess, but he had actually made a very bad play.

West opened a trump, and therefore deserved whatever happened to him. As I mentioned in yesterday's article, a trump opening lead against a small slam is almost invariably a horrible defensive manoeuvre.

South won the first trick with the jack of spades and immediately finessed dummy's jack of diamonds. This was not a bad idea, since the diamond finesse would have to be risked sooner or later. Declarer wanted to take the finesse immediately in order to give East as little information as possible. If the finesse happened to lose.

As it turned out the finesse did lose to East's queen of diamonds. East now had to decide whether his partner had

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North	East	South	West
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♥	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
♦	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
♣	Pass	1 ♠	Pass
Opening lead—♠ 8.			

the ace of hearts or the ace of clubs. It seemed like a sheer guess, and a heart return seemed "safer" to East.

This, of course, was duck soup for declarer. He could draw the trumps and discard a heart club on dummy's long diamonds.

East was guilty of very poor reasoning. The danger was that South had only a singleton or doubton in either heart or club. East had to lead that short suit in order to find his partner's ace. East should have worked out this problem correctly.

If South had only one or two small clubs, he would have three or four clubs headed by the ace. This was entirely possible, and actually happened to be the case.

Now let's make the same assumption about the hearts. If South had only one or two small hearts, West would have seven or eight hearts headed by the ace. If West had such a freshish holding, he would either bid the hearts at some time or at least would lead the ace of hearts to begin the defence.

Since West had failed to bid hearts or to lead the suit, it was clear that he did not have this freshish holding. Hence it was impossible for South to have only one or two small hearts. On the basis of this reasoning, East should have returned a club after winning his queen of diamonds. This would have defeated the slam contract.

CARD SERVICE

The bidding has been:

South: West North East
1 Diamond Pass 1 Heart Pass
2
You, South, hold: Spade 2, Hearts J-7-3, Diamonds A-K-Q, Clubs A-K-J. What do you do?

A—Bid three diamonds. You have 19 points in high cards, 2 points for the singleton, and a very powerful hand. You will bid game in hearts if your partner can rebid that suit, and you will go to game in diamonds if your partner cannot rebid the hearts.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spade 2, Hearts K-3, Diamonds A-Q-J-9-6, Clubs A-K-Q-8-2. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

WHAT'S HIS LINE?

SAM SHANE-KERR
re-arrange the letters to spell his occupation.
(Solution on Page 10)

WOMANSENSE



The Art Of Getting Along With People

By ANNE HEYWOOD

AS far as I am concerned, it is the age of super attention to the art of getting along with people.

Children are judged in school on their ability to be an integral part of the group. The lone wolf child is considered pathetic beyond words. Employees are super-conscious of whether or not everybody in the company likes them. The wife who doesn't build a busy social life for her husband and family, and win lots and lots of friends, is inclined to spend much time brooding about the fact, and reading books on psychology and how to be popular.

Cart Before the Horse

However, after hearing the life stories of hundreds of people, I have come to the conclusion that this emphasis on popularity for its own sake is a case of putting the cart before the horse.

For example, the worker in an office who feels that he isn't as popular as he would like to be, and who puts a lot of attention on making the right impression on people, is, as a rule, the person who doesn't like the actual work he is doing. If you don't like your work, you don't get the satisfaction from it which you know in your heart you should get. Also, you don't get the feeling of prestige and accomplishment. Therefore it becomes terribly

important that everybody likes you. But the more you put the emphasis on impressing people, the more they tend to shy away from you.

Constant Visitors

Women of this kind are constant visitors to my office. When I tell them that the first thing to do is to get into a job that they really like, and put their energy in that direction, they look blank.

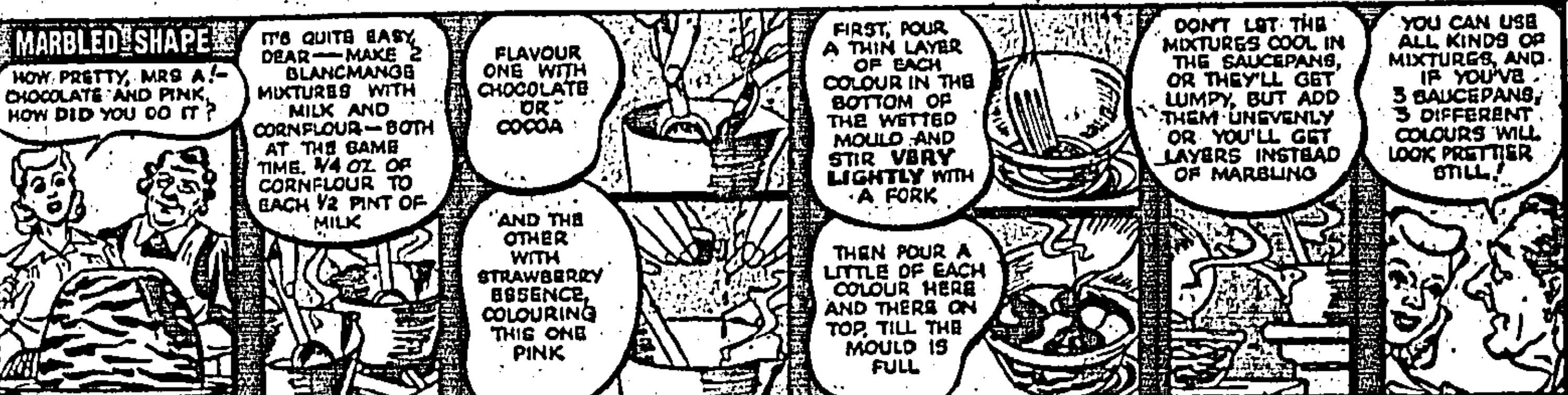
But those of them who do give it a try, find that it is indeed the solution. When they like their jobs, and are doing a good job, a subtle change comes over them. They become sure of themselves, surer of their own importance and the necessary nature of their work. They get an easy give-and-take

approach which automatically attracts friends and makes their human relations smooth, where all the memorising of tricks and asking polite questions never did.

An Absorbing Activity

The woman at home who hates every bit of her housework never going to be the life of the party, no matter how hard she works at it. Let her find an absorbing activity within her home which gives her life meaning and significance—which, in short, makes her like herself—and other people will unconsciously gravitate to her.

If your work history has been full of difficult human relations, don't take a course in how to be charming. First, see if you can't find work that you really like. Chances are that will solve the problem.



BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

A Story About A Dandelion

—Oh, How It Wished It Could Get Over the Wall!—

By MAX TRELL

"Did I ever tell you the story about the Dandelion-That-Wanted-to-Climb-the-Wall?" Mr. Punch asked. "Kear and Haind, the shadow-children with the turned-about names."

"No—but we'd certainly like to hear it," they said, coming up to his chair.

Mr. Punch sat silently for a moment or two, puffing at his pipe. Then he began:

"Well, once upon a time there was a Dandelion. It didn't have a name or anything. But it did have an address. Its address was Foot of the Garden near the Oak Tree."

"It liked the spot where it lived. It was fond of the old Oak whose branches, spreading far overhead, gave it cool shade

side of the garden wall. It's simply beautiful there! But, of course, you can't ever get to see it. You'll never be able to climb to the top of the wall!"

Didn't Mind

"Oh, I'm very happy just where I am. I don't mind not being able to see over the wall. Dandelion always answered. 'There's quite enough to see on this side of the wall, thank you!'"

"It's a good thing you feel that way, Dandy," they'd answer.

"Of course," Mr. Punch said. "Dandelion really did want to see over the top of the wall, though he would never admit it. But how can a small dandelion like me ever reach the top of that enormous wall?" he asked himself sadly.

"It knew it couldn't ever climb like its neighbours the Virginia Creeper and the English Ivy—not grow as tall as the old Oak—nor hop or climb or fly like any of the garden folk."

"It'll never get to see what's on the other side of the wall," it



Dandelion liked all the garden people who stopped to rest.

admitted to itself at last as the summer was drawing to a close. "Oh, if only I could!"

Very Strange Thing

"It never did get over the wall," Mr. Punch said. "But a very strange thing happened which I must tell you about."

"Dandy was quite old now. Its hair, which was yellow, had turned completely white. One day, as it was gazing up longingly at the top of the wall, a puff of wind came along and—puff!—it blew off one of Dandy's hairs. Away went the white wisp, sailing high over the wall into the mysterious and beautiful field beyond the wall."

"Dandy himself was never able to see it. But when Spring came around again after the winter snow had melted, there in the field on the other side of the wall, high garden wall stood a cluster of young, yellow-headed dandelions."

"Do you know who they were? They were Dandy's children! They had grown up from the little white wisp, for the wisp was really dandelion seeds."

"So, my dears, it was Dandy's children who got over the garden wall."

Rupert and the Robins—3



"Why are you looking so glum?" asks Mrs. Bear, when Rupert wanders into the cottage. "I did so want to help daddy to spray the fruit trees," says the little bear. "But he won't let me, and now I don't know what to do with myself." "Well, why not draw some birthday cards for your friends?" suggests Mrs. Bear. Rupert ponders for a moment. "Yes, that's an idea," he sighs. "Though I'm not much good at drawing. What shall I do? There's plenty of brown and red in my paint box. I know, I'll draw some robins. And soon he's busy."

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ANOTHER "LAST CHANCE" FOR DROBNY TO WIN THE WIMBLEDON TITLE

By PETER DITTON

It seems to me that every year since the war we have heard it said: "This is the last chance for Drobny to win the men's title at Wimbledon." And now the same thing is being repeated as the Coronation Wimbledon tournament approaches.

Certainly there are few more popular players in the world than the former Czechoslovakian ice-hockey star who is now a naturalised Egyptian subject. Twice he has reached the finals of the Men's Singles only to be beaten.

In 1940 it was Ted Schroeder who, on his one and only visit to Wimbledon, took the title; last year it was the Australian Frank Sedgman, who has now joined the ranks of the professionals.

This has only increased his following and it is true to say that in the minds of most Englishmen, who are resigned to the fact that the Wimbledon title must be taken abroad, the desire to see Drobny acclaimed as Champion is almost as strong as the wish attending on Stanley Matthews before he gained his FA Cup winners medal.

One of the least temperamental of Wimbledon stars Drobny, as he is affectionately known, is nearing the veteran stage as far as top-class lawn tennis is concerned. This winter, therefore, he has been conserving his energies in

order not to aggravate a shoulder injury which has been troubling him on and off since 1931.

He even forsook his usual appearance at the Hard Court Championships at Bournemouth where last year he beat Sedgman in the final.

In full cry there are few more delightful players to watch. A smooth flowing service frequently provides access and if at times Drobny seems somewhat over-cautious, he can, when occasion demands, produce the unplayable return from his backhand.

On a hard court he is probably the best in the world. The faster surface of the beautiful Wimbledon turf seems, however, to cause him trouble and his attacking qualities are not always seen to best advantage.

THE CHALLENGERS

His most serious rivals this year are considered to be either the young Australians, Head, Rosewall and Rice, or the Americans, Seixas, Trabert and Flinn. Yet there is another player who should not be overlooked in assessing the list of possible winners and that is the giant Argentinian, Enrique Moreno, who this year carried off the Hard Courts title.

More recently attracted to tennis when in partnership with Mrs. Long of Australia, he defeated Sedgman and Miss Doris Hart in the final of the Mixed Doubles. His thunderous service carried the day on that occasion, outwitting even the best of Sedgman, and this year he seems to have added

even more pace to this frightening weapon.

More's height, he is 6 ft. 5 ins., makes him a most difficult player to pass at the net. He has already proved the quality of his overhead work and if in the next five weeks or so he can lighten up his ground shots, there seems every reason to anticipate him putting up a strong challenge.

BRITAIN'S MAIN HOPES

Britain's main hopes will, as usual, rest with Tony Mottram and Geoffrey Pals, who, as in every year since the war, will also bear the Davis Cup responsibility on their shoulders.

Pals, a very sound doubles player, has neither the pace of a round shot nor the necessary power of service to make a serious challenge to the big names of Australia and the United States.

Mottram, however, can definitely raise his game to world class and few will forget his victory over Drobny in 1931. Unfortunately he seems unable to sustain the effort and in a tournament such as Wimbledon where every match is a battle of giants, there is no room for anyone except the best.

One thing seems certain. If the title goes to either an Australian or an American, then that country will become strong favourites to win the Davis Cup later in the year.

Among the women the question is not so much which country will win but which of the top three Americans will win. Maureen Connolly looked good enough last year to hold on to her title for a decade.

But Miss Doris Hart was not at the top of her form. Perhaps she had been playing too much tennis. Whatever the reason, she seems to have got over the spell and gave a convincing display at Bournemouth recently to win the women's title for the third year running.

It will indeed be a turn-up if she and Miss Connolly do not contest the final. But it would be a brave bet to say that she would attempt at this stage to pick the winner. —London Express Service.

Major League Baseball

New York, May 13.
Early Big League baseball results today were:

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Cleveland	4	0	0
New York	0	11	2
Chicago	0	4	1
Boston	3	6	0

NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York	1	4	1
Milwaukee	11	14	0

—United Press.

Glamorgan Dismiss Kent For 91 At Cardiff

London, May 13.

Kent, who have been scoring well recently, met an unexpected setback today in their County Cricket Championship match with Glamorgan at Cardiff where they were dismissed before lunch for 91 runs.

Godfrey Evans, England's wicketkeeper, scored 48 of Kent's total.

Damage was done by the slow spinners of Glamorgan captain W. Wooler, who took six wickets for 89 runs in 14 overs. Keith Lewis claimed four for 25.

Glamorgan passed Kent's total for the loss of only four wickets and by the close had made 207 for five, Cliff scoring 80 and Wooler being 55 not out.

Middlesex staged a great recovery against Derbyshire at Lord's. They lost their first wicket for five runs but a fine innings of 107 by Harry Sharp and 66 by a back-to-form Denis Compton enabled Middlesex to declare at 307 for seven. Derbyshire had replied with 17 for no wicket by the close. Sharp batted two hours 50 minutes and hit 10 fours.

Referees To Ask For HKFA Representation

At a meeting of the Referees' Association last night it was decided that the Referees' Association should apply for representation on the Council of the HKFA and thus have some say in the appointment of referees to matches.

The decision followed a discussion of the case of a referee not having refereed a single game during the past season.

There was an additional proposal that an application be made that the referee appointed to the HKFA Council should also be appointed to referee matches for matches to ensure that referees had their fair share of games. This idea was, however, not adopted.

Mr. Wilcox was elected as Secretary on the retirement of Mr. Pacey, who was given a vote of thanks.

Mr. L. G. Young presided at the meeting.

Lancashire introduced 17-year-old all-rounder Peter Marner for the first time in their match against Sussex. Marner produced a display of driving seldom seen even from more mature players.

He hit 10 fours in his 72 and with Ken Grieves added 141 for the fifth wicket in 85 minutes. Grieves made light of a modest attack and batted four hours for his 150 which included 10 fours.

Fredie Brown, former England captain, failed by three runs to complete a century for Northamptonshire against Somerset. He was at the wicket only 58 minutes, his last 47 runs taking 10 minutes.

Joek Livingston, after giving a stunning chance of the first ball he received, hit a brilliant 112.

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

Close of play scores of county cricket matches which began today were:

At Lord's: Middlesex 367 for seven declared. (Denis Compton 86, Sharp 107). Derbyshire 17 for no wicket.

At Oxford: Oxford University 422 for nine. Yorkshire to bat.

At Liverpool: Lancashire 374 (Edrich 31, Grieves 150, Marner 72). Sussex one for no wicket.

At Cardiff: Kent 91 (Wooler six for 39, Lewis four for 25). Glamorgan 207 for five (Cliff 80, Wooler 55 not out).

At Nottingham: Nottinghamshire 205 (Simpson 79, Hardstaff 64, Grove four for 59). Warwickshire 24 for no wicket.

At Northampton: Northamptonshire 445 for eight (Oldfield 88, Brookes 80, Livingston 112, Brown 97). Somerset to bat. —Reuter.

SEVENTH TIME FOR ARSENAL



Arsenal win the League Championship for the seventh time as inside-right Jimmy Logie steers the ball past Thompson, the Burnley goalkeeper, for a 3-2 victory at Highbury on May 2.

AUSTRALIANS ALL OUT FOR 383 AGAINST CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY

Cambridge, May 13.

Australia's touring cricketers gave an entertaining display of batting in scoring 383 against Cambridge University today.

The University lost two wickets for 48 runs in reply before the close. Left-hand Arthur Morris who score 79, his highest of the tour, danced down the pitch and made many sparkling drives after carefully playing himself in. He batted 143 minutes and hit eight fours.

He had as his opening partner Keith Miller, who was out for the first time on the tour after making 20. With Harvey, Craig and de Courcy out when making forcing strokes, half the Australian wickets were down.

Then came the third left-hander, Alan Davidson, who spent the next half hour driving, pulling and cutting with tremendous power and perfect judgment to claim 71, including 11 fours, before being bowled middle stump.

Another tail-ender, Ron Archer, enlivened the final stages. Making the most of his height, he drove splendidly to score 58 not out (10 fours) in 85 minutes. The last wicket stand with Hill yielded 57 in 30 minutes.

The Cambridge team, without their four Test players of 1932, Sheppard, McCarthy and Warr, is only beginning to take shape and their work in the field was uncertain.

Much of the bowling was extremely good and some of the fielding brilliant, but generally it fell below the standard expected of a university side.

Only four bowlers were used, and of these Marlar took five for 139, with his leg breaks and Hare, fast medium paced, claimed four for 73.

In the 45 minutes left for play Cambridge lost two wickets for 48 runs. Bushby showed some attractive strokes in spite of an array of fieldsmen in the slips and short legs. He hit six fours in 34.

THE SCOREBOARD

AUSTRALIANS, 1st innings	
Morris, b. Marlar	79
Miller, c. Bushby, b. Hare	20
Harvey, c. Hare	25
de Courcy, b. Marlar	47
Davidson, b. Hare	71
Archer, c. Asquith, b. Hill	58
Hill, not out	63

Langley, b. Marlar	8
Hill, c. Lumsden, b. Marlar	15
Extras	29
Total	383

Bowling	
	O M R W
Hare	28 5 78 4
DeLinton	14 8 45 0
Marlar	36.5 5 139 5
Subba Row	28 4 97 1
Byes 21, Leg-byes 8	

Cambridge, 1st innings	
Bushby, lbw, b. Lindwall	34
Silk, st. Langley, b. Ring	2
Alexander, not out	2
Subba Row, not out	0
Extras	0
Total	48
for two wks.	

Bowling	
	O M R W
Lindwall	6.3 1 15 1
Archer	3 0 15 0
Ring	3 0 12 1
Byes 4, Leg-byes 2	
Reuter.	

THE DON'S OPINION

Adelaide, May 13.
Sir Donald Bradman said here tonight that an "aggressive, dynamic attitude" in cricket should be adopted whenever possible.

Discussing "bright cricket" over the air in the Australian Broadcasting Commission's forum, Sir Donald said cricket legislators had played their part in making changes in the laws as they became necessary.

Sir Donald said he saw nothing fundamentally wrong with present day cricket. It still provided thrills and laughter. —Reuter.

LEAGUE BOWLS

Craigengower beat the Hong-kong Electric Recreation Club by 4-1 in a Third Division Lawn bowls match yesterday.

P. Maitson, A.C.H. Castro, G.S. Ladd, R.O. Baker (CCC) beat D.F. Williams, D. Bramwell, F.A. Golding, E. Poulson 77-7.

C.G. Ma, R.K. Pavy, Y.A. Razack, J. Leonard beat G. Johnson, J. Bottomley, E. Wolstenholme, V. Bouch 55-13.

S.V. Doe, T. Leonard, A.M.L. Sparrs, P.K. Lau lost to G.W.K. Crawford, R.W. Farren, W.E. MacFarlane, W. Sluder, 11-9.

Jersey Joe Is Solidly Confident

Chicago, May 13.

Jersey Joe Walcott, solidly confident that he will beat Rocky Marciano on Friday to regain the World Heavyweight Championship, said today he would let the title holder set "any pace he wants to."

"I'm not particular about slowing him down," Walcott said. "I've been boxing and moving and conditioning myself and I think I can go 15 rounds and if I do I'll outpoint him." Walcott, though prepared for a long stretch, set a plan to win by a knockout if possible.

IN EVERY ROUND

"I'm going to try for a knockout in the first round," he said. "In every other round too," he added.

He believed that he had the punch to score a quick victory and pointed out that he won the heavyweight crown from Ezzard Charles with a hook to the jaw similar to the blast with which he felled Marciano last September 23 before Marciano knocked him out in the 13th round to win the heavyweight title.

"My left hook on Marciano was high," he said, "and it wasn't as hard as the one I hit Charles with."

Walcott said he had no planned style for Friday's bout. "It just depends on the other fellow," he said. —United Press.

SECRET WORKOUT

Chicago, May 13.
Jersey Joe Walcott went through a long, secret workout with three sparring mates today to perfect a new one-two punch to the body as Champion Rocky Marciano arrived for their heavyweight title fight on Friday night.

The press was barred. Manager Felix Boechchio explained: "If Joe had used this new combination of punches in their September fight he would have broken Marciano in two. A recent study of movies showed that." —United Press.

CHARLES WINS

Toledo, Ohio, May 13.
Ezzard Charles, former Heavyweight Champion of the World, shook off the game Dill Gilliam in the last five rounds here last night to win unanimous 10-round decision.

Charles weighed 180½ and Gilliam 210½ lbs. The only knock-down of the fight came in the last round as Charles caught Gilliam with a short right to the jaw. —United Press.

Royal Pageant Wins The Adelaide Cup

Adelaide, May 13.

A nine-year-old horse, Royal Pageant, carrying seven stone 13 pounds, today won the Adelaide Cup after one of the best finishes in the history of the race.

Royal Pageant started at odds of eight-to-one and beat the 55-to-one outsider Calton (six stone seven pounds) by half a head with the eight-to-one Trousaross (six stone 11 pounds) another half length away at third.

Many of the 18 runners were clustered together at the start of the final furlong, in the two miles race, but Mr. L. McMahon's Royal Pageant, oldest horse in the event, finished stoutly after Trousaross had looked like winning the first three-year-old to win since 1915. Royal Pageant's time on the fast track was three minutes 23.75 seconds.

It was the sixth successive year that a Victorian-owned horse had won the Adelaide Cup, worth £3,000 apart from the £240 Gold Cup. A crowd of 40,000 watched the race. —Reuter.



Sea Charger Wins The Irish 2,000 Guineas

The Curragh, County Kildare, Eire, May 13.

Mr. M. P. Moiney's colt Sea Charger, ridden by Australian jockey, Rae Johnstone, won the Irish Two Thousand Guineas over one mile here today.

Johnstone forced Sea Charger, a six to one chance, home by three-quarters of a length from Mrs. F. L. Vickers' Chance, the 10 to 3 second favourite. The English trained challenger, King of the Tudors, a hot favourite at four to seven, was a further three-quarters of a length away, third of 13, runners.

King of the Tudors, owned by Mr. Joe McGrath, had finished fourth in the English Two Thousand Guineas at Newmarket on April 29.

After the race, the world's most expensive thoroughbred, Tulyar, purchased by the Irish National Stud for £250,000, was paraded down the course and attracted keen interest. —Reuter.

Pinza Well Backed To Win The Derby

Newmarket, May 13.

After his easy victory in the Newmarket Stakes here today, Sir Victor Sassoon's colt Pinza was backed down to 8 to 1 for the Epsom Derby.

Pinza, who won the 10-furlong race from four other Derby horses, was first supported at 10 to 1. Then another bet to win £25,000 at 8 to 1 was struck and the colt is now at these odds for the Epsom classic.

At Monday's Victoria Club callover Pinza was offered at 33 to 1.

Britain's Champion Jockey, Gordon Richards, who rode Pinza today, said he was very pleased with the colt's performance and all being well Pinza would be his mount in the Derby. —Reuter.

Speedway Results

London, May 12.

Wimbledon beat Norwich by 53 to 32 in the Coronation Speedway Cup match at Wimbledon last night.

Coverley reached the third round of the Daily Mail National Trophy at Liverpool, when they beat Liverpool by 69 to 40 and won the tie of two matches home and away with a aggregate of 144 points to 72.

In a Second Division match, Poole beat Yarmouth by 66 to 28 at Poole.

Haringey beat Exeter by 44 to 40 in a challenge match at Exeter. —Reuter.

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U.S. Asian Policy Criticised

Attack By Former Ambassador

Washington, May 13.

Mr. Chester Bowles, former American Ambassador to India, said today that the United States' policy toward Asia was "dangerously half-baked" and called for a more "dynamic" approach with greater effort to understand the legitimate aspirations of the peoples of that area.

Speaking at a luncheon meeting of the National Press Club, Mr. Bowles declared also:

"If general peace in Asia follows a truce in Korea, then we must seriously consider the admission of Red China (to the United Nations)."

Under no circumstances, however, he added, should Nationalist-held Formosa be given to the Communists.

Mr. Bowles thought there was a "definite possibility of Communist China drifting away somewhat from the Soviet Union if she finds it in her interest to do so."

"The influence of Russia on China was very profound under the regime of Stalin," he added. "Ho and Mao Tse-tung were old revolutionaries and I believe Mao looked upon it as a real partnership with himself in the junior position."

"However, under Malenkov and these other bureaucrats, I do not think the same relationship will prevail," United Press.

NEHRU TO MAKE STATEMENT

New Delhi, May 13.

Mr. Nehru, the Indian Prime Minister, has agreed to make a statement on foreign affairs to Parliament on Friday following a request by Professor Hiron Mukerjee, Deputy leader of the Communist Party in the House.

Parliament is due to adjourn this week-end for three months, and Mr. Nehru will leave for London to attend the Coronation. —Reuter.

FUTURISTIC TRAIN IN SERVICE

Milan, May 13.

The "Luxury un-Limited", the "Train For Mars", and the "Millionaires Express" are some of the names being given to Italy's new futuristic train in service from Rome to Milan.

Costing 2,400,000 to build, the train has an observation car at the front and rear, a post office, a shop for souvenirs, a newspaper stand, a tobacconist, a restaurant and a bar.

Running three times a week between the two cities, the train is designed primarily for the tourist trade.

Of revolutionary design, it is driven from a small cockpit on the roof of the front car, some distance from the actual front of the train, giving the impression that the train is speeding along under its own direction.

The front of the first carriage has a curved glass observation window fronting a divan-furnished lounge and the last carriage is similarly fitted.

It has 16 compartments, referred to as "drawing rooms", each with two divans for three people and four movable armchairs in the centre. The drawing rooms are separated from the corridors by a slab of glass and heavy blue curtains take the place of doors.

The restaurant has a green floor, yellow ceiling and red seats.

The train takes only 6 hrs. 45 mins. to cover 450 miles. —United Press.

Shops Close As Protest

Karachi, May 13.

Some 75 Karachi shops were closed today after the religious Jammat Islami Party had urged them to join in a protest against the sentencing to death of its leader, Maulana Maududdi, by a Lahore court after the riots a fortnight ago.

In a statement published in the press, the former Premier, Khwaja Nazimuddin, as President of the Muslim League, said that he was "shocked" at the death sentence and said that he would be the first to sign a petition for Maududdi's reprieve. —France-Press.

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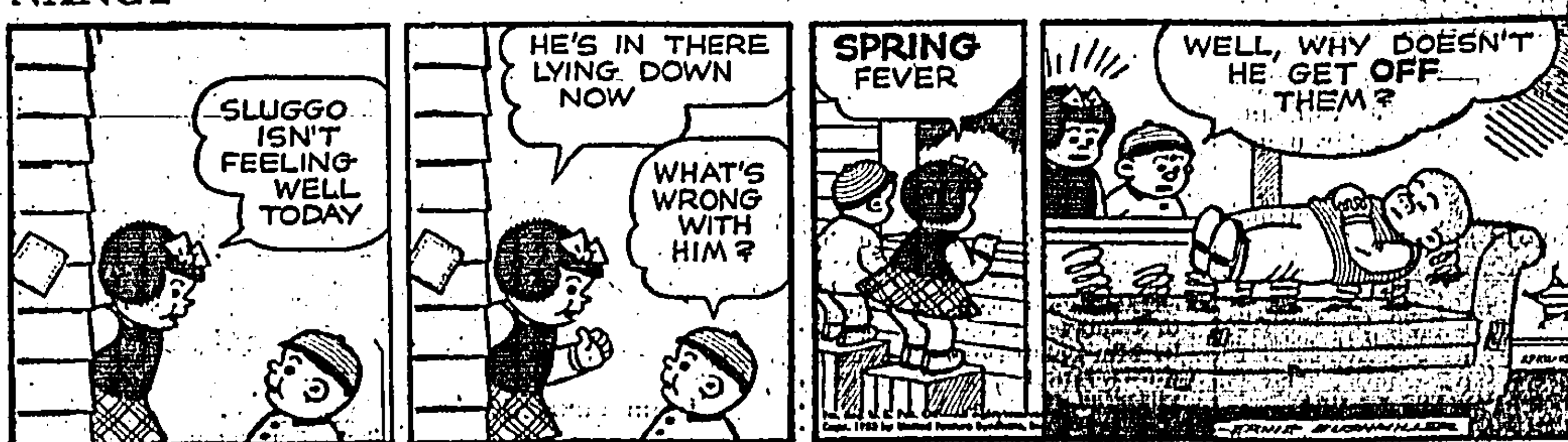
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NANCY

COUGH! That Hurts!

By Ernie Bushmiller



JOHNNY HAZARD

By Frank Robbins



PRODUCING ENOUGH FOR WORLD

Manchester, May 13.

The world's cotton mill equipment is now producing enough textiles to satisfy global requirements, according to a census published tonight.

But there has been a reduction of 10 per cent in the number of raw cotton spinning spindles in the world, and of 11 per cent in the number of looms, since 1930, the report revealed.

It was presented by Mr. N. S. Pearce, of Manchester, General Secretary of the International Federation of Master Cotton Spinners and Manufacturers' Associations. The census made last July, included all the world's cotton power looms.

"For the cotton season ended July 31, 1952, the world's cotton mills consumption amounted to 32,662,000 bales against 35,309,000 bales for the season ended July 31, 1950-51, 32,733,000 bales more consumed on fewer spindles and looms," the report stated.

In the period under review the number of looms fell from 3,000,000 to 2,730,202, while the number of spindles in the world was reduced from 151,745,000 to 127,994,000. Of the reduction of 339,523 looms, Europe lost 230,120—mostly in Britain. South America increased by 12,000 and Africa by 17,771. Japan had a loss of 4,271 but Japan had a loss of 4,271.

The census showed that 27,540 looms are to be erected throughout the world in 1953-54. More than three times as many will be in Asia and South America, particularly in India, Hongkong, Pakistan and Japan. —Reuter.

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THURSDAY, MAY 14, 1953.



JOHN CLARKE'S
CASEBOOK

A Broom For Sale

SOMETHING—the shape of his head, perhaps, or the kind of glasses he wears, his slight stoop or the casual hang of his clothes—gives Leonard the look of a scholar.

He might have strayed absent-mindedly into the Tower Bridge court, mistaking its ponderous grey facade for a library, museum or laboratory.

But they were expecting him at the court, and when he had reported his arrival, he was ordered to sit down in a waiting-room, where half-a-dozen other men, all nervously pulling at cigarettes, awaited their turn to be tried for a variety of crimes.

Leonard's name was one of the first to be called. On legs that seemed to have lost most of their power to support him, he followed a policeman into the dock, and stood with head half-bowed before Miss Sybil Campbell, the magistrate.

ADMISSION

THE learned clerk read out the charge against him. "Did you," he asked, "steal a broom-head from the council who employ you?"

"Yes, may sit down," said Miss Campbell, and Leonard did so, hunching his shoulders, burying his chin in his good blue overcoat, looking more than ever like a man absorbed, by some deep abstruse problem.

"At eight o'clock yesterday morning, madam," said a police-officer to the magistrate, "this man was seen to take the broom-head into a cafe."

"The police were informed, and he was questioned. He admitted he had taken the broom, but did not wish to say any more."

CONFESSION

AS the policeman paused to consult his notes I wondered about his sharp eyes had spotted Leonard at the cafe with the stolen broom-head, what sort of person would have been so diligently public-spirited at that hour of the morning as to call the police.

"Later," the officer went on, "he confessed he had taken the broom-head two days earlier. He said he hoped to make a few shillings by selling it."

"And a very few shillings indeed he would have made, when the lawful market price of a broom-head was only 9s."

The policeman began to sketch Leonard's history. "He is a dutman," he said, "44 years old, and a man with a perfectly good character until now. He has been with the council over 14 years, and his pay is £8 12s a week. He has five children, ranging in age from two to 10 years, and he has now lost his job."

CONTRITION

THE policeman closed the dossier about Leonard, and Miss Campbell said: "What would you like to say?"

Leonard stirred himself from his deep thinking, pulled himself up from the dock-bench. "I've made an idiot of myself," he said. "I just picked the thing up, meant to make a few bob, like the officer said."

The magistrate began to write in her register, then looked up and said: "I am taking into account your good character, and the fact that you have been punished by losing your job. The fine is 40s."

"Could I have time to pay?" Leonard asked. "If I have to pay at once, the family will suffer, and I don't want that to happen."

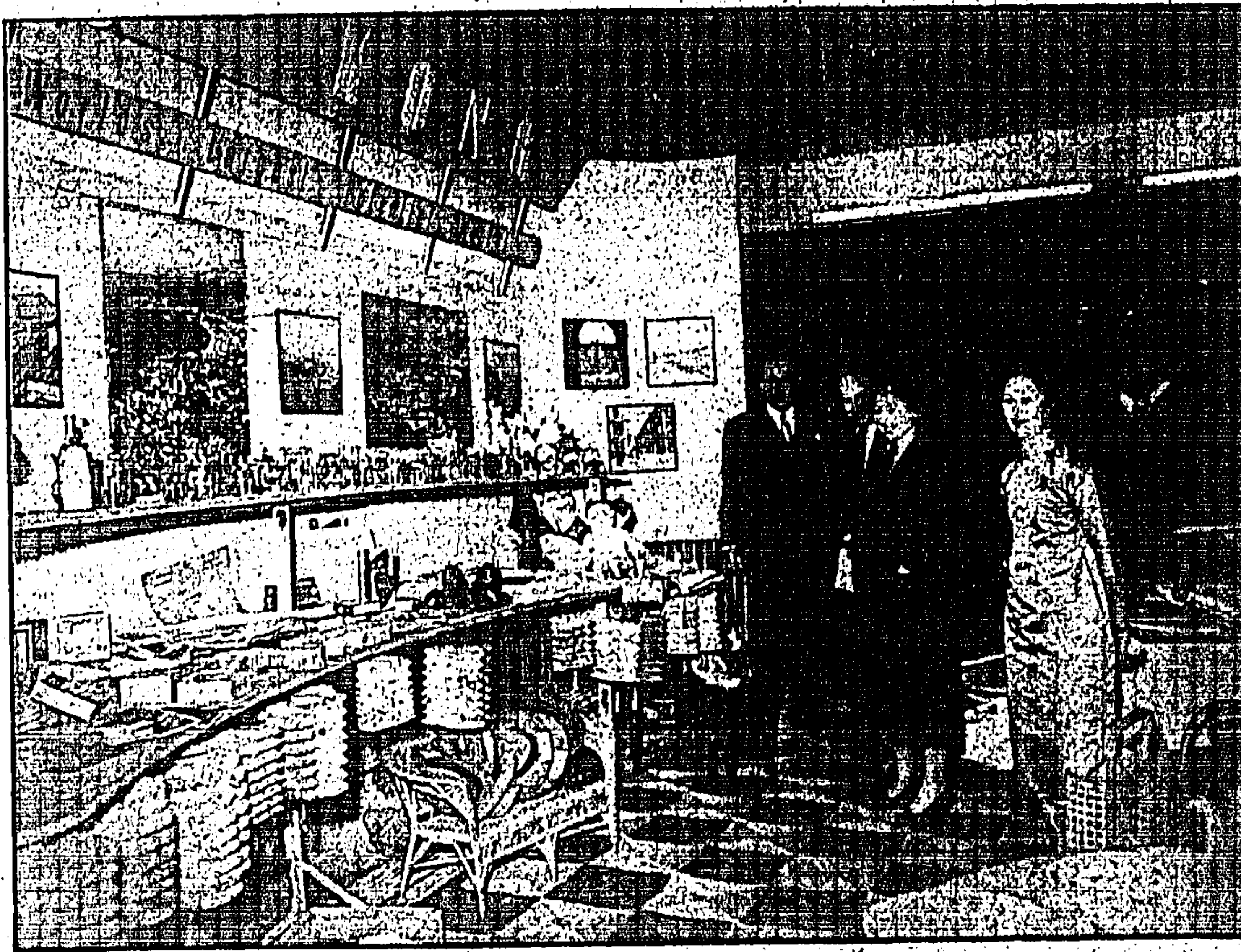
AND MERCY

"VERY well," said Miss Campbell, "I'll give you 28 days. That will give you a chance to find work. If you're still unemployed then, you can come here and ask for an extension of the time."

It was a merciful sentence, and Leonard for a moment came out of his reverie to beam his gratitude.

Then he returned to his solemn thoughts, to the abstruse problem, which probably was nothing more than how to keep a family of seven going on £8 12s a week—when there was no longer any £1 12s.

The Queen Visits Hongkong Stand At The BIF



OUR AUSTRALIAN NEWSLETTER

Big Things Are Going On In No-Man's-Land

FROM H. KING WOOD

Sydney, May 12.

When the Prime Minister, Mr Menzies, pushed a button and released Australia's pilotless jet Jindivik, at the Woomeera testing grounds at the weekend, he lifted the blind a little to reveal that there had been much goings on out in the gibber area that was Australia's no-man's-land.

Backed by Britain, big things have been happening with pilotless jets, rockets and bombs out near the "dead heart" of the Continent—and enough has been said to indicate that much more is coming out of the blueprints.

What has been done up to now is sufficiently out of the ordinary for America to send a team of top experts hot-footing it here to get in the picture—Jindivik and all things connected with it has suitably impressed them.

Jindivik, designed and built in Australia (it's an aboriginal word meaning "to destroy," by the way), is sleek and efficient looking, but can be likened to an old two-wing fighter in relation to what some of its descendants will be like in the future.

ON THE WAY Already Jindivik Mk 11 is on the way, and from all accounts, that is going to make Mk1 look pretty silly.

Inventor of this graceful machine is a quiet, unassuming Australian, Ian Flemming, comparatively young at 39, but one of the top "back-room" boys who do these sort of things. He admitted with a smile that he is working on a "new thing" (guided missile, but added with a guided smile): "I don't think it's in the public interest to talk about it yet."

But within a year 70 Jindiviks of various types will be hurrying through the air over Woomeera. The Government, with the request and with the help of Britain, plans steeply to step up research work into guided missiles, planes and rockets. When Mr Menzies goes to the Corporation later this month he will have long talks with Sir Winston Churchill on the subject and they will decide how many more millions next year are going to be poured into Woomeera.

Now one of the biggest—and known—balest-guided missile testing grounds in the world, has been doing plenty since 1950.

In about three years scientists have fired 700 rockets of various kinds, dropped 2,000 bombs and 400 guided missiles.

No details of rockets, bombs or missiles have been given, but as Jindivik was launched with official speeches, pats on the back and a slap-up luncheon, we can take it that that is the best that has been accomplished in that direction.

The idea of Woomeera was born in 1947, because a really

In 1949. Since then the Government has spent £20-million on it—the British Government probably more.

Today it is a thriving township, with all the amenities necessary to make it bearable in an area that was treeless, empty and dry. The population is now 2,000, including 420 families and 800 children.

Another atom weapon test off the Australian coast is tipped for later this year, and it is almost certain that some of the work from Woomeera will play a star part in it.

A pointer to the future was given by RAF Air Marshal Sir Basil Embrey, who dropped in on his way to inspect New Zealand air force stations. He said that guided missiles would probably replace crew-manned bombers within 10 years, but he doesn't yet see the end of pilot manned fighters.

SOMETHING NEW

In this country, particularly New South Wales, we have a type of sportsman known as a "back-room" player. He is a quiet, unassuming fellow, a skin-tight overall costume, rubber flip-flops on his feet, and a small, unassuming spring gun that fires a spear attached to a fine string line, these fellows lurk around rocks along the coastline spearing fish.

Our coasts are rocky, swept by big seas and inhabited by a shark or two, so the sport is exciting, and highly skilled. Embrey, who is a bit of a fisherman, says there are some thousands of them—men who are being trained to use it out of the shell of the fish and more often than not some very nice fish.

But now something new has happened. A group of them have formed an Underwater Explorers Club and the first planned trip is to the Sydney Heads to the other side of the bridge. They are being joined by the heads are a mile apart, wide, rocky and rough.

They also plan to walk half a mile out from the Heads and get the bell of the old Dumbard.

(The Dumbard, a troupe of the Crimean War, went down on the night of August 20, 1857, on a voyage from London and ran into five miles from her berth. There was only one survivor from the crowded ship, the sea bottom of the New South Wales coast, keeping in the water and a couple of divers and about 20 former naval ratings.

NO BEGINNERS Mr D. Linklater, leader of the expedition, said the divers had been kept the club and to some very nice fish. Foundation members are leading lights of the Spear-fishing Club, but they are being joined by various experts. One is a well known photographer, another an expert in the use of the spear, and a couple of divers and about 20 former naval ratings.

Her Majesty the Queen found much to interest her when she visited the Hongkong stand at the British Industries Fair. Here she is seen admiring some of the exhibits. On her left is Miss Ada Lum, and on her right Mr J. H. Collar and Mr Peter Thornycroft, President of the Board of Trade.

London Express photo.

Vietminhese Switch

Main Action

Hanoi, May 13. The sound of distant machine-gun fire was heard today as the Communist Vietminh switched their main action from the mountains of Laos to the defences of the rice-rich delta.

A high command spokesman said the action was at the delta outpost of Bing Vi, more than 30 miles south of the Tonkin capital. The French increased night patrolling to meet the Reds infiltrating the delta from the South and the East.

The new wave of Vietminh harassing raids increased fears that the Communists intend to switch three divisions for action against the delta defences, thinned out to provide garrisons for the Laotian bastions.

Reports from Laos indicated that Vietminh elements, which snatched to within 25 miles of Paknam were on the move again and might have reached the Mekong River, which forms the Laos-Thai frontier.

French headquarters formally denied the report and also insisted that no black-out existed on information from the area. But no correspondents were allowed to go and see for themselves.—United Press.

Radio Hongkong

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